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In re Patent Application of:  
Grant M. Brehm et al.

Application No.: 09/740,047

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Examiner: R. N. Barnie

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated May 13, 2004 (Paper No. 7), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims.** No amendments are made to the claims, but Applicants provide a copy of the claims for the Examiner's convenience.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 17 of this paper.